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Applicant : Arroyo, *et al.*  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 28, 2006 (Office Action), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this submission.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this submission.